(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. P. THAKUR) : (a) and (b) Rs. 1.50 crores has been sanctioned in April, 2001 to the Government of Gujarat for upgradation and strengthening of emergency facilities at General Hospital, Nadiad, District Kheda, under the Pilot Project for upgradation and strengthening of emergency facilities of State Hospitals of towns/cities located on National Highways.

(c) No other proposal seeking financial assistance for upgradation and strengthening of emergency facilities in the State hospitals has been received from the Government of Gujarat.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Status of RCHP in Gujarat

2169. SHRI AHMED PATEL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the present status of Reproductive and Child Health Programme (RCHP) in Gujarat;

(b) the funds released to the State under RCHP during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the results achieved therefrom ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. P. THAKUR) : (a) The Reproductive and Child Health Programme supplements the resources for primary health care and referral facilities for improving the maternal, reproductive and child health status of the population. This programme is operational in all the districts of the State. The State of Gujarat has been provided with financial assistance thereunder for appointing Public Health Nurses/Staff Nurses and Safe Motherhood Consultants in Primary Health Centres; Laboratory Technicians; Anesthetists on contractual basis in First Referral Units (FRUs) ; transportation of indigent women with complications of child birth to first referral institutions; training of Dais; strengthening outreach services, including immunization; support for intensive polio eradication activities; RCH camps; upgradation/repair of facilities for undertaking obstetric/neo-natal care; maintenance of cold chain and provision for injection safety besides supply of vaccines, drugs and equipment; strengthening of information education and

Communication; Management Information System; Provision of Non-Governmental Organizations' participation and training activities.

The European Commission assisted Sector Investment activities, which constitute a part of the holistic RCH Programme, are being implemented in the state with specific focus on two districts (Narmada and Rajkot). The State has also been provided with assistance for post-earthquake reconstruction activities under the programme.

(b) The year-wise kind and cash assistance provided to the State are as under :

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Kind	Cash	Total
1998-99	16.65	8.92	25.57
1999-2000	18.05	8.18	26.23
2000-2001	22.60	8.38	30.98

(c) The results of the RCH Programme depend not only on inputs provided under Central programmes or even the status of service delivery, but also on factors such as female literacy, socio-economic status of the family, cultural practices etc. Major indicators from comparable surveys reflecting the efficiency of programme implementation and the resultant effect, however, show a positive impact of the programme.

Sl. No.	Indicator	NFHS-I (1992-93)	NFHS-II (1998-99)
1.	Infant Mortality Rate	73.5	62.2
2.	Measles Immunization	55.9	63.6
3.	Safe Delivery	42.7	53.5
4.	% of mother receiving Ante-Natal Care	86.3	75.4 75.4
5.	Total Fertility Rate	2.97	2.70
6.	Couple Protection Ratio	46.8	53.4

In addition, due to effective implementation of the Pulse Polio Programme, the number of polio cases have declined from 103 in 1997 to 2 in 2000.